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SUBJ: POSSIBLE UNAUTHORIZED RE-EXPORT OF US-ORIGIN

REF: A) BELGRADE 5569

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1) THIS MESSAGE TRANSMITS THE COMPREHENSIVE INFORMATION UPON WHICH THE USG NEED FOR FRANK AND MEANINGFUL TALKS GOY IS BUILT (SEE PARA 2, REF A). IT IS INTENDED FOR PRESENTATION TO GOY OFFICIALS. THIS CABLE IS A REDRAFT OF INFORMATION WHICH EMBASSY BELGRADE ALREADY HAS. THE CABLE AUTHORIZES EMBASSY TO PRESENT THIS TO THE YUGOSLAVS IN THE FORM CONTAINED IN THE CABLE.

2) EMBASSY DEVISE APPROPRIATE HEADING FOR INFORMATION PAPER. DEPARTMENT HAS USED QUOTE EVIDENCE OF RE-EXPORT OF CONFIDENTIAL

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US-ORIGIN EQUIPMENT UNQUOTE. OPENING TEXT SHOULD BE FIRST

THREE PARAGRAPHS ATTACHMENT TO REF QUOTE B UNQUOTE BEGINNING QUOTE IN 1971 YUGOSLAVIA UNQUOTE AND ENDING QUOTE THE EVIDENCE FOLLOWS: UNQUOTE.

CASE NUMBER 1. AUTOMATIC CORE TEST SYSTEMS. END USE CERTIFICATE NUMBER U-1316 TOM - AUGUST 23, 1972. EMBASSY PLEASE USE TEXT CASE NUMBER 1 AS CONTAINED IN ATTACHMENT TO REF QUOTE B UNQUOTE EXCEPT CHANGE LINE SIX QUOTE IT IS BELIEVED UNQUOTE TO QUOTE USG BELIEVES UNQUOTE. CASE NUMBER 2. OSCILLOSCOPES. END USE CERTIFICATE NUMBER U-619 SV, JUNE 8, 1966. IN 1966, US FIRM EXPORTED TO INTEREUROPA, LJUBLJANA SIX BROADBAND TEKTRONIX OSCILLOSCOPES PURCHASED BY ELEKTROTEHNA FOR USE BY JOZEF STEFAN INSTITUTE. IN EARLY 1971, A US FIRM RECEIVED AN ORDER FROM AKADIMPORT, BUDAPEST, HUNGARY FOR SPARE PARTS FOR AN OSCILLOSCOPE IDENTIFIED BY MODEL AND SERIAL NUMBER AS ONE OF THOSE SOLD TO ELEKTROTEHNA. WHEN QUERIED AS TO THE DISPOSITION OF THE OSCILLOSCOPES, THE INSTITUTE AND ELEKTROTEHNA AT FIRST (APRIL 1971) OFFERED TO ARRANGE FOR PHYSICAL INSPECTION EITHER ON SITE OR IN LJUBLJANA (SINCE SOME AT CLASSIFIED INSTALLATIONS). THE ARRANGEMENTS WERE NOT FINALIZED. AFTER FURTHER INQUIRY, THE USG WAS INFORMED JUNE 1972 THAT THE OSCILLOSCOPES WERE BEING USED BY THE YUGOSLAV ARMY AND THAT NO FURTHER INFORMATION WAS POSSIBLE.

CASE NUMBER 3. BONDERS AND SCRIBERS. END USE CERTIFICATE NUMBER U-37 SV, JANUARY 11, 1972. IN 1972, THIRTY-ONE BONDERS AND THREE SCRIBERS (FOR USE IN MANUFACTURE OF SEMI-CONDUCTOR DEVICES) WERE EXPORTED TO PROGRES, BELGRADE, CONSIGNED TO MIHAILO PUPIN INSTITUTE, BELGRADE. ACCORDING TO A DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE, THE EQUIPMENT WAS FOR NEW FACTORY IN SERBIA TO BE FINANCED BY THE YUGOSLAV ARMY AND A CITY WHICH WAS NOT DESIGNATED. INFORMATION SUBSEQUENTLY RECEIVED BY USG SUGGESTED THAT THE QUANTITY OF BONDERS ACQUIRED BY YUGOSLAVIA OVER SEVERAL YEARS WAS PERHAPS EXCESSIVE FOR DOMESTIC USE. IN MAY 1973, THE EMBASSY WROTE TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE ASKING FOR INFORMATION AS TO THE LOCATION OF EQUIPMENT AND THE DATE OF ARRIVAL AT YUGOSLAV PORT OF CONFIDENTIAL

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ENTRY. COPY OF THE LETTER WAS SENT TO THE FEDERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. IN JUNE, ANOTHER LETTER WAS SENT TO THE CHAMBER, CITING THE FACT THAT THE INSTITUTE HAD NOT ANSWERED THE LETTER NOR RETURNED THE EMBASSY'S TELEPHONE CALLS, AND ASKING FOR ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS IN MAY LETTER. TO DATE, THERE HAS BEEN NO RESPONSE.

CASE NUMBER 4. VIDEO TAPE RECORDERS. END USE CERTIFICATE
NUMBER U-1606 SV, SEPTEMBER 23, 1970. IN LATE 1970, A
US FIRM INFORMED USG THAT ITS AUSTRIAN REPRESENTATIVE HAD

BEEN ASKED TO PERFORM CERTAIN INSTALLATION SERVICES ON
TWO MODEL VR 2000B VIDEO TAPE RECORDERS IN CZECHO-
SLOVAKIA THAT HAD NOT BEEN AUTHORIZED FOR EXPORT TO THAT
COUNTRY. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SERIAL NUMBERS DISCLOSED
THEY HAD BEEN SOLD TO ELEKTROTEHNA, LJUBLJANA. USG
INQUIRIES OF ELEKTROTEHNA RESULTED IN LATER ASSERTION
THAT THE RECORDERS HAD BEEN DELIVERED TO ITS CUSTOMER
RTV LJUBLJANA FOR ITS OWN USE. ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE
FOR INSPECTION OF THE RECORDERS IN ZAGREB. THEREAFTER
SALES REPRESENTATIVE OF THE US FIRM COMMUNICATED WITH
ELEKTROTEHNA TO DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS OF THE RECORDERS.
HE WAS ADVISED THEY HAD BEEN LOANED TO RTV SKOPJE TO
FILM SPORTS EVENTS; UPON ARRIVAL SKOPJE WAS ADVISED
THEY HAD BEEN RETURNED TO LJUBLJANA. SAME SALES REP-
RESENTATIVE MADE SWORN STATEMENT IN 1972 THAT EMPLOYEE OF
ELEKTROTEHNA INFORMED HIM THE TWO TAPE RECORDERS HAD
BEEN TRUCKED BACK TO YUGOSLAVIA FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA IN
1970 TO BE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT ZAGREB. VERY
RECENTLY (1974) ANOTHER KNOWLEDGEABLE SOURCE IN EUROPE
CONFIRMED DELIVERY OF THE TWO RECORDERS TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

CASE NUMBER 5. ELECTRONICS PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT. (DIVER-
SION TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA) IN 1969, A US ELECTRONICS FIRM
SOLD EQUIPMENT (CORE PRESSES) FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS TO THE YUGOSLAVIAN IMPORT/EXPORT
FIRM ELEKTROTEHNA, IN LJUBLJANA. THE EQUIPMENT IN
QUESTION HAS NOT BEEN SOLD TO ANY OTHER COMMUNIST COUNTRY
IN EASTERN EUROPE. IN AUGUST 1972 THE CZECHOSLOVAKIA TRADE
ORGANIZATION TEKHNOEXPORT, IN PRAGUE, SUBMITTED AN ORDER
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REQUESTING SPARE PARTS FOR IDENTICAL EQUIPMENT. THE
ORDER WAS VERY PRECISE, REFERRING TO ALL ITEMS BY EXACT
COMPANY STOCK NUMBERS. THE PURCHASE ORDER INDICATES THAT
THE EQUIPMENT IS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA SINCE THE REQUESTED
PARTS ARE ONLY OF VALUE TO THE EQUIPMENT IN QUESTION AND
ARE USELESS WITHOUT IT. KISSINGER

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